

# HF Happenings 851

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## **The SARL Youth Sprint**

This is a fun activity to celebrate the Youth and to promote contacts between young radio amateurs in Southern African countries. Call "CQ Youth Sprint" on Saturday 15 June 2019 from 12:00 to 14:00 UTC. The exchange is a RS report and the operator's age and the sprint will be run on 40-metres between 7 063 and 7 100 kHz and between 7 130 and 7 200 kHz.

QSOs between stations in the age group 25 and younger are worth 5 points, while QSOs between stations in the under 25 group and over 26 group is worth 2 points. QSOs between stations in the age group 26 and older are worth 1 point.

Logs in ADIF, Cabrillo or MS Excel with a summary sheet and labelled "my call sign Youth Sprint," must be submitted by 22 June 2019 by e-mail to <a href="mailto:zs4bfn@mweb.co.za">zs4bfn@mweb.co.za</a>. Refer to GR 3.6 and 5.1 to 5.6 for detail about logs and summary sheets. The excel log sheet is available on the Contest page on the League web site. Remember the age of the operator must be shown on the summary sheet. All the logs received will be entered for a draw for a Student membership of the South African Radio

#### June

14 - Provincial Schools close

15 - SARL Youth Sprint; Region 1 Kids Day (all day); ARRL Kids Day 14 and 15 – Napier Wine and

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16 - Youth Day; Father's Day;

17 - Public holiday; World QRP Day; Closing date for Hammies logs;

18 - Highway ARC monthly meeting 20 to 24 - SARL Top Band QSO Party

21 - Winter Solstice

21 to 23 - Ham Radio 2019 in Friedrichshafen

21 to 30 – Knysna Oyster Festival

22 – the AGM of the Namibian Amateur Radio League

22 – the Drakensberg Polar Bear Swim Challenge, Dragon Peaks Dam

22 and 23 - ARRL Field Day

26 to 29 - Innibos Fees, Nelspruit

28 to 30 - Kirkwood Wildsfees

29 – ZS4BFN from the 24<sup>th</sup> Polar Bear Swim at the Bundu, Ventersburg

30 - End of the SARL Financial Year; International Asteroid Day

#### July

1 - Start of SARL Financial Year and Membership payment is due; Closing date Top Band logs

6 - Durban July Horse Race; SARL Newbie QSO Party

7 – ZS5 Sprint

9 - Provincial schools open

12 - Washie 100 Miler, Port Alfred to East London

13 - RaDAR Challenge; October RAE registration opens

13 and 14 - IARU HF Championships; Franschhoek Bastille Festival

15 – Commemoration of the Battle of Delville Wood - 15 to 20 July 1916 League.

Certificates will be awarded for all logs that are submitted correctly and prizes will be awarded to the first, second and third places in the competition. All logs with more than 10 contacts will be entered for a lucky draw.

## The Region 1 and the ARRL Kids Day

This year's second Kids Day will be held on Saturday 15 June. This event is especially created to promote Amateur Radio to youth. This is a moment where you can share your amateur radio



hobby with your family, grandkids, friends, scouts or even to the general public. This day can be the first time for youth to experience a real radio QSO, hopefully they get interested in becoming a licensed amateur radio operator.

You could make use of this suggested exchange: Name, age, location and favourite colour. Be sure to work the same station again if an operator has changed. To draw attention, call "CQ Kids Day."

The Region 1 Kids Day is an all-day event while the ARRL Kids Day runs from 18:00 to 23:59

UTC - www.arrl.org/kids-day

Suggested frequencies IARU Region 1:

10 Metres: 28,350 to 28,400 MHz 15 Metres: 21,360 to 21,400 MHz 20 Metres: 14,270 to 14,300 MHz 40 Metres: 7,080 to 7,120 MHz 80 Metres: 3,650 to 3,750 MHz

Other suggested frequencies by the ARRL:

12 Metres: 24,960 to 24,980 MHz 17 Metres: 18,140 to 18,145 MHz 40 Metres: 7,270 to 7,290 MHz 80 Metres: 3,740 to 3,940 MHz

### **CQ DX Marathon**

The CQ DX Marathon is a year-long DX hunt, with participants competing to see who can work the greatest number of countries ("entities") and CQ zones during the calendar year. The complete results of the 2018 edition can be read at <a href="https://www.dxmarathon.com/Results/2018/Results2018.htm">www.dxmarathon.com/Results/2018/Results2018.htm</a>.

#### **Unlimited Class**

Barry Murrell, ZS2EZ worked 189 countries and 39 zones for a score of 228 points. He is the Zone 38 and South African winner

Geoff Levey, ZS6C worked 185 countries and 39 zones for a score of 224 points.

Mike Stokes, ZS6AI worked 181 countries and 39 zones for a score of 220 points.

Helgard Honiball, ZS6HON worked 125 countries and 31 zones for a score of 156 points. He takes 5<sup>th</sup> place worldwide on 15 metres.

Barry, Geoff and Mike are 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> in Africa.

## Limited Class - 100 W Option

Cor Rademeyer, ZS6CR worked 129 countries and 12 zones for a score of 141 points. Gert Botha, ZS6GC worked 95 countries and 28 zones for a score of 123 points.

#### African DX

Contacts with stations on the African continent count towards the SARL's All Africa Award (www.sarl.org.za/public/awards/awards.asp)

Ghana, 9G. Matteo, IZ4YGS, will once again be active as 9G5GS from Sanzule, West Takoradi (Western Region), Ghana, between now and 2 July. Matt travels to Ghana almost every month for work reasons. Activity will be limited to his spare time. He is usually on "almost every evening" on 160 to 6 metres. His setup is a FT-891, small 300 w amp and vertical antenna, using mostly FT8 and SSB. On FT8 (Fox-Hound Mode) the suggested frequencies are: 3 567, 7 056, 10 131 and 14 090 kHz. QSL via LoTW, IZ4YGS direct or eQSL.

#### **African Islands**

**IOTA Frequencies** 

CW: 28 040 24 920 21 040 18 098 14 040 10 114 7 030 3 530 kHz SSB: 28 560 28 460 24 950 21 260 18 128 14 260 7 055 3 760 kHz

Sao Tome & Principe, S9. Operators of the LazyDxers Team (Jose, EA1ACP, Charly, EA1DVY, Pedro, EA5BJ, Gen, EA5EL, Francisco, EA7FTR, David, EB7DX and Helio, S92HP) are now active as S9A from Sao Tome Island (AF-023) until 18 June. Activity will be on 160 to 6 metres using CW, SSB, RTTY, FT4 and FT8. Suggested frequencies are: CW – 1 823, 3 523, 5 353, 7 023, 10 103, 14 023, 18 073, 21 023, 24 893 and 28 023 SSB – 1 843, 3 780, 5 363, 7 085/7 185, 14 265, 18 140, 21 290, 24 950 and 28 480 RTTY – 3 583, 7 038, 10 141, 14 083, 18 103, 21 083, 24 923 and 28 083 6 m – 50 103/CW, 50 130/SSB, 50 318/FT4, 50 313/FT8 FT4(1)- 1 840, 3 575, 5 357, 7 047, 10 140, 14 080, 18 104, 21 140, 24 919 and 28 180 FT8(2)- 1 840(\*), 3 585 or 3 573, 5 357, 7 056 or 7 074, 10 131 or 10 136, 14 090 or 14 074, 18 095 or 18 100, 21 091 or 21 074, 24 911 or 24 915 and 28 091 or 28 074 kHz. \* For JA stations their RX freq. 1 908 kHz

- 1) They will use normal mode using MSHV running Multi A protocol. So, do not use Fox/Hound; it is not needed. They will run on the frequency listed above in the pileup. If QSO demand is not so high you find them on the normal FT8 frequencies.
- 2) Occasionally and as an experimental mode, you might be hearing them using FT4 for test during the DXpedition.

QSL via EB7DX. Added Note: This is a reissued call sign that was used in the 2004 CQ WW CW Contest. QSL via OH2TA.

Madeira Islands, CR3. Ricardo, CT3KN and Henning, CT9ABR will be using the special call sign CR3EE from Madeira (AF-014) between 7 and 13 August and during the Worked All Europe (WAE) CW Contest (10 and 11 August). Henning, OZ2I, will be the operator during the contest as a Single-Op/ All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via OZ2I.

#### **Contest Calendar**

This week's contests as compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is 3 to 10 June 2019

4 States QRP Group Second Sunday Sprint

00:00 - 02:00 UTC 10 June

Geographic Focus: North America

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW, SSB

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op

Exchange: Member: RS(T), state, province or country and member no; Non-member: RS(T),

state, province or country and power

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with nonmember; 2 points per QSO with member

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points

Submit logs by: 12 June 2019

E-mail logs to: (none) Post log summary at:

http://qrpcontest.com/4sqrp

Mail logs to: (none) Find rules at:

http://www.4sqrp.com/SSS/sss rules.pdf

RSGB 80 m Club Championship, Data

19:00 - 20:30 UTC 10 June

Geographic Focus: United Kingdom

Participation: Worldwide Awards: United Kingdom

Mode: RTTY, PSK Bands: 80 m Only Classes: (none)

Exchange: RST and serial no QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: (see rules)

Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 11 June 2019 Upload log at: <a href="http://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-">http://www.rsgbcc.org/cgi-</a>

bin/hfenter.pl Mail logs to: (none) Find rules at:

https://www.rsgbcc.org/hf/rules/2019/r80

mcc.shtml

NAQCC CW Sprint

00:30 - 02:30 UTC 12 June Geographic Focus: Worldwide Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40, 20 m Classes: (none) Max power: 5 watts

Exchange: RST, state, province or country and

NAQCC no or power

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with nonmember; 2 points per QSO with member Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once; Key Type Mult: 2 x if straight key, 1.5 x if

bug, 1 x if other

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults x key type mult Submit logs by: 23:59 UTC 15 June 2019 E-mail logs to: naqcc33@windstream.net and

jcoreyc@gmail.com

Upload log at:

http://naqcc.info/sprint submit log.html

Mail logs to: (none) Find rules at:

http://naqcc.info/sprint/sprint201906.html

Phone Fray

02:30 - 03:00 UTC 12 June Geographic Focus: North America

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: SSB

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15 m

Classes: Single Op Max power: 100 watts

Exchange: NA: Name and state, province or

country; non-NA: Name Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-NA station: 1 point per QSO with an NA station Multipliers: Each US state (including KH6/KL7) once per band; Each VE province/territory once per band; Each North American country

(except W/VE) once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points x total mults

Submit logs by: 03:00 UTC 14 June 2019

E-mail logs to: (none) Post log summary at:

http://www.3830scores.com

Mail logs to: (none) Find rules at:

http://www.perluma.com/Phone Fray Contes

t Rules.pdf

**CWops Mini-CWT Test** 

13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 12

June and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 13 June Geographic Focus: Worldwide Participation: Worldwide Awards: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: Member: Name and member no; non-Member: Name and state, province or

country

Work stations: Once per band QSO Points: 1 point per QSO Multipliers: Each call once Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points x total mults

Submit logs by: 04:00 UTC 15 June 2019

Post log summary at:

http://www.3830scores.com

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: https://cwops.org/cwops-tests/

**NCCC RTTY Sprint** 

01:45 - 02:15 UTC 14 June

Geographic Focus: North America

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: RTTY Bands: (see rules) Classes: (none)

Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points x total mults

Submit logs by: 16 June 2019

E-mail logs to: (none)
Post log summary at:

http://www.3830scores.com/

Mail logs to: (none) Find rules at:

http://www.ncccsprint.com/rttyns.html

**NCCC Sprint** 

02:30 - 03:00 UTC 14 June

Geographic Focus: North America

Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: (see rules) Classes: (none)

Exchange: Serial no, name and QTH Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points x total mults

Submit logs by: 16 June 2019

E-mail logs to: (none) Post log summary at:

http://www.3830scores.com/

Mail logs to: (none) Find rules at:

http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.html

All Asian DX CW Contest

00:00 UTC 15 June to 24:00 UTC 16 June

Geographic Focus: Asia Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Asian Single Op Single Band - high or low; Non-Asian Single Op Single Band - high; JA Single Op All Band - high, low, junior or silver; Asian Single Op All Band - high or low; Non-Asian Single Op All Band - high; Multi-

Single; Multi-Multi

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts

Exchange: RST and 2-digit age Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: Asian Stations: DXCC entities once per band; non-Asian Stations: Asian prefixes

once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points x total mults

Submit logs by: 17 July 2019 E-mail logs to: <a href="mailto:aacw@jarl.org">aacw@jarl.org</a> Web-to-Cabrillo form:

http://www.b4h.net/cabforms/aadxcw\_cab3.p

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Mail logs to: JARL, All Asian DX Contest, CW,

170-8073, Japan Find rules at:

https://www.jarl.org/English/4 Library/A-4-

3 Contests/2019AA rule.htm

Ukrainian DX Classic RTTY Contest 12:00 UTC 15 June to 11:59 UTC 16 June

Geographic Focus: Worldwide Participation: Worldwide

Mode: RTTY

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op All Band - low or high; Single Op All Band 6-Hour; Single Op Single Band;

Multi-Single

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts Exchange: Ukraine: RST and 2-letter oblast;

non-Ukraine: RST and serial no Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with same country; 2 points per QSO with different country, same continent; 3 points per QSO with different continent; non-UR Stations: 10

points per QSO with Ukraine

Multipliers: UR Stations: each DXCC/WAE country once per band; non-UR Stations: each DXCC/WAE country once per band; non-UR Stations: each Ukraine oblast once per band Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points x total mults

Submit logs by: 1 July 2019

E-mail logs to: <a href="mailto:urdxcrtty@ukr.net">urdxcrtty@ukr.net</a>

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <a href="http://urdxc.org/rtty/eng.htm">http://urdxc.org/rtty/eng.htm</a>

ARR BPSK63 Contest

12:00 UTC 15 June to 12:00 UTC 16 June

Geographic Focus: Worldwide Participation: Worldwide

Mode: BPSK63

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op Max power: 100 watts Exchange: RST and serial no Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with non-CT station; 5 points per QSO with CT station; 10 points per QSO with CT1ARR, CQ3EPC,

CQ7EPC, CS2EPC

Multipliers: Each DXCC country once per band;

Each CT station once per band

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points x total mults

Submit logs by: 16 July 2019 E-mail logs to: <a href="mailto:bpsk63@ct1arr.org">bpsk63@ct1arr.org</a>

Mail logs to: (none) Find rules at:

http://ct1arr.org/concursos/concurso-de-

bpsk63/

Stew Perry Topband Challenge

15:00 UTC 15 June to 15:00 UTC 16 June

Geographic Focus: Worldwide Participation: Worldwide Awards: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 160 m Only

Classes: Single Op - QRP, low or high; Multi-Op

- QRP, low or high

Max operating hours: 14 hours

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 5 - 100 watts;

QRP: <5 watts

Exchange: 4-Character grid square

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO plus 1 point per 500 km; multiply QSO points by 2 if low power station; multiply QSO points by 4 if QRP station

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points x power multiplier Submit logs by: 1 July 2019 E-mail logs to: tbdc@kkn.net Upload log at:

http://www.b4h.net/stew/tbdcsubmitlog.php Mail logs to: BARC, 15125 SE Bartell Rd, Boring,

OR 97009, USA

Find rules at: <a href="http://www.kkn.net/stew/">http://www.kkn.net/stew/</a>

West Virginia QSO Party

16:00 UTC 15 June to 04:00 UTC 16 June Geographic Focus: United States/Canada

state/province QSO party Participation: Worldwide Mode: CW, SSB, Digital Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op - fixed - CW, SSB, digital or mixed - QRP, low or high; Multi-Multi - fixed - CW, SSB, digital or mixed - QRP, low or high; Mobile - CW, SSB, digital or mixed- QRP, low or

high

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100 watts;

QRP: 5 watts CW, 10 watts phone

Exchange: WV: RS(T) and county; non-WV: RS(T) and state, province or country Work stations: Once per band per mode QSO Points: (see rules); Bonus: 100 points per QSO with W8WVA; WV Mobile Bonus: 100

points for each county activated

Multipliers: WV Stations: Each WV county once

per band; WV Stations: Each state, VE province, DXCC country once; non-WV

Stations: Each WV county once

Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults) and bonus points

Submit logs by: 5 July 2019

E-mail logs to: <a href="wvqplogs@gmail.com">wvqplogs@gmail.com</a>
Mail logs to: Randy Goff KD8G, 1289
Washington Gardens Cir, Washington, WV

26181, USA Find rules at:

http://www.qsl.net/wvsarc/wvqp/wvqp.html

Feld Hell Sprint

18:00 - 19:59 UTC 15 June Geographic Focus: Worldwide Participation: Worldwide

Mode: Feld Hell

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6 m

Classes: (none)

Max power: Standard: 100 watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: (see rules)

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: (see rules)

Bonus Points: (see rules) Multipliers: (see rules) Score Calculation: (see rules) Submit logs by: 18 June 2019

Upload log at:

https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/

Mail logs to: (none) Find rules at:

https://sites.google.com/site/feldhellclub/Ho

me/contests/sprints/field-day-sprint

ARRL Kids Day

18:00 - 23:59 UTC 15 June

Mode: SSB

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 17, 15, 12, 10, 2 m repeaters

Classes: (none)

Exchange: name, age, QTH and favourite

colour

Submit logs by: 15 July 2019 E-mail logs to: (none) Mail logs to: (see rules)

Find rules at: http://www.arrl.org/kids-day

Run for the Bacon QRP Contest 01:00 - 03:00 UTC 17 June

Geographic Focus: Worldwide Participation: Worldwide

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m Classes: Single Band; All Band

Max power: 5 watts

Exchange: RST, state, province or country and

member no or power

Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with nonmember; 3 points per QSO with member on same continent; 5 points per QSO with

member on different continent

Multipliers: Each state, province, or country once; Multiply mults by 2 if >50 members

worked

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO

points x total mults

Submit logs by: 23 June 2019 E-mail logs to: (none)

Upload log at:

http://grpcontest.com/pigrun/autolog.php

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at: <a href="http://qrpcontest.com/pigrun/">http://qrpcontest.com/pigrun/</a>

## **Next Week's Contests**

Phone Fray, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 19 June

CWops Mini-CWT Test, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 19 June and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 20 June

RSGB 80 m Club Championship, CW, 19:00 - 20:30 UTC 19 June

NAQCC CW Sprint, 00:30 - 02:30 UTC 20 June NCCC RTTY Sprint, 01:45 - 02:15 UTC 21 June NCCC Sprint, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 21 June

Ukrainian DX DIGI Contest, 12:00 UTC 22 June to 12:00 UTC 23 June

His Majesty the King of Spain SSB Contest, 12:00 UTC 22 June to 12:00 UTC 23 June

ARRL Field Day, 18:00 UTC 22 June to 21:00 UTC 23 June

QCX Challenge, 13:00 - 14:00 UTC and 19:00 - 20:00 UTC 24 June and 03:00 - 04:00 UTC 25 June

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